

YOUTH CONFESSES HIS VISIT KILLED AGED MRS. TIARKS

Herman Sauer Says Woman
Died of Fright During
Friendly Call.

CHARGED WITH MURDER

Prisoner Declares Victim
Thought He Was Robbing
Her—Took Watch.

The mystery surrounding the death of Mrs. Caroline Tiarks, the seventy-three-year-old woman whose body, bound with rope, was found in bed last Saturday morning in the apartment she shared with her married son at No. 515 West One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street, was cleared up today by the confession of a youth who gives the name of Herman Sauer, but who, the police say, has many aliases.

Sauer, who is about twenty-one years old, formerly worked for Mrs. Tiarks's son. He knew Mrs. Tiarks, and insists she merely went to her home for a chat with her. When he picked up a watch and chain, he says, she accused him of trying to rob her and fell over dead. He tied her hands to make it appear a burglar had been in the house, placed the body on the bed and fled.

SAUER HELD ON CHARGE OF MURDER.

Sauer says he made up his mind to commit suicide, but couldn't decide how to end his life. He admits having taken the watch and chain, but says he doesn't know why he did so. The police have checked up his story and have found it to be true in the main details.

While an autopsy on the aged woman's body developed the fact that death had occurred from natural causes, Sauer was locked up in Police Headquarters on the charge of murder in having occasioned the fright which resulted in her death.

YOUTH WHO CLEARS UP MYSTERY IN THE DEATH OF AGED MRS. TIARKS



HERMAN SAUER.

In this respect the case is similar to that of the men who entered the apartment of Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols at No. 4 East Seventy-ninth Street last September, frightening her to death. The butler, Owey Talar, who admitted the intruders, and who was the only one punished for the crime, is now serving a life sentence, having escaped the death penalty because of his extreme youth.

It was only by the merest chance that the police succeeded in connecting Sauer with the death of Mrs. Tiarks. Sauer was found about midnight Tuesday on the front lawn of Arthur Elliott's home in Riverdale. To Mr. Elliott's family he said he had been assaulted in a taxicab and robbed of \$15,000 by two men who jumped into the cab shortly after

HE CHANGED IT AT FIFTH AVENUE AND FOURTEENTH STREETS. TALE OF IRON CROSS IS SAUER'S UNDOING.

Detectives were summoned to the Elliott home and removed Sauer to the police station. There he related his story.

The police doubted Sauer's story from the first, and when an iron cross was found in his possession, which he said had been given him in Germany, was found to have been bought on Fourteenth Street, they accused him of lying throughout. The youth finally confessed he had invented his story. He was held on suspicion.

Inspectors Gray and Faurst, who were working on the Tiarks case, recalled that a young man named Sauer once had worked for Mrs. Tiarks's son. They called in Herman Sauer and his wife, both of whom identified Sauer as a former employee who was discharged last May.

Realizing that further denial of his identity was useless, Sauer admitted he was the man who had worked for Tiarks. Then to-day he admitted he was with Mrs. Tiarks when she died.

"I'll tell you all I know about it," he announced in broken English, "but as God is my judge I had no intention of harming her. When I worked for Tiarks in his candy store and lived with him in his apartment I used to talk with his mother about my folks in Germany. Last Friday night I got lonesome and decided to go up to the Tiarks house and have a talk with Mrs. Tiarks."

"I had no trouble getting in. We sat down and chatted for half an hour or more. Finally the subject turned on her good health. 'I remarked how well preserved she was. I asked her if her teeth were false. She said: 'Come into the bedroom and I'll show you.' We went in. She took out her teeth. As she was doing so I picked up a watch that was on the dresser. I didn't intend to steal it. I don't know why I picked it up. She turned and saw me with the watch and shouted that I was trying to rob her. I denied it and she fell to the floor."

"She lay there very still for a long time and I was sure she had fainted. I waited a while and then went and got water and threw it in her face. She failed to revive. Then I saw that she was dead. I picked her up and placed her on the bed. 'For a long time I stood beside the body, so scared I didn't know what to do. I decided to make it appear

that burglars had entered the house and caused the death. So I went to the kitchen and took some things—there was sugar and I got a knife. Then I went to the bathroom and cut a piece of rope like the one that was found with the body. I tied the rope about one of her wrists and then my nerve left me. I backed out into the street. Sauer said that after leaving the Tiarks home he walked the streets for hours trying to make up his mind what to do. A crowd gathered in front of his furnished room at No. 300 East Eighty-sixth Street. He says he arose about 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

I tramped the streets Saturday, Sunday and Monday like a crazy man," continued Sauer. "I had the water and chain and didn't know what to do with them. The watch fell from my pocket at my rooming house Tuesday and one of the other boarders saw it. I threw it away. 'I got frightened and decided to commit suicide. I destroyed all my letters and cleaned out my room. Then I went up to the Bronx Tuesday night to kill myself in getting there I couldn't figure out how to do it. Then I told that story about my being robbed and the police took me to the station house."

NEW YORK WON'T SUFFER HUNGER IF STRIKE COMES

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delay en route, and at junction points on and after next Monday.

Eighteen milk dealers representing the greater part of their industry, supplying nearly eight million people in the metropolitan district, are prepared to throw their resources with the railroads in the event of a nationwide strike, in an effort to avert a milk famine here, it was announced today by George W. Alger, counsel for the Sheffield Farms-Slackman-Decker Milk Companies. If necessary, Mr. Alger said, employees of these dealers would be taken from their present places and assist in operating milk trains.

Mr. Alger made this announcement after receiving from Washington a telegram, signed by Miles W. Dawson, counsel for the brotherhoods, in response to a message sent by milk interests here yesterday to the brotherhoods asking whether uninterrupted milk train service would be continued after Labor Day. Mr. Dawson replied: "I have no information concerning

matter required about, but understand railroad companies affirm ability to keep milk trains running."

It would be physically impossible to get milk into the city except by train, Mr. Alger said. It must now be brought by automobile, steamship and wagon. It would not arrive in condition to serve lives of thousands of babies who depend on the commodity. The city consumes 2,000,000 quarts of milk daily, and the physical advantages, including ice and an express rate of speed of transportation by rail, are necessary, Mr. Alger declared.

USE MOTOR TRUCKS TO GET FOOD SUPPLIES.

Motor truck men have overhauled their vehicles, and gasoline is being conserved at depots as quickly as it can be moved, for should a strike cut off the coal supply motor vehicles would be the chief reliance.

There is little optimism among railroad officials and steamship men. They are not only making all preparation for the worst, but are warning the public to prepare. Among the most drastic of the railroad embargoes are those of the Pennsylvania and New York Central, which are to be extended until all kinds of freight are barred.

FAMILY DOCTOR'S GOOD ADVICE

To Go On Taking "Fruit-a-lives"
Because They Did Her Good

Roche, Jan. 14th, 1915.

"I suffered for many years with terrible indigestion and constipation. I had frequent dizzy spells and became greatly run down. A neighbor advised me to try 'Fruit-a-lives.' I did so and to the surprise of my doctor, I began to improve, and he advised me to go on with Fruit-a-lives."

I consider that I owe my life to 'Fruit-a-lives' and I want to say to those who suffer from indigestion, constipation or headaches—try Fruit-a-lives and you will get well." CORINE GAUDREAU.

Box a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ogdensburg, N. Y.—Advt.

The John Wanamaker Store

Featuring America First

HALF-YEARLY CHINA SALE but all the world's best always AT YEAR'S LOWEST PRICES

JUDGING from the face of this Half-yearly China and Glass Sale, all is placidity in the china trade. Who would guess that famous factories abroad are practically shut down for lack of men, that shipments have been for weeks on the docks in Bordeaux and Liverpool waiting for space on crowded steamers sailing for New York—and Wanamaker's?

None of this is even suggested in the rich overflowing collections of this September Sale. Its prices are as low as last March and sometimes even lower. This, notwithstanding three general advances in the wholesale market since then. There are 2,000 dinner sets at savings of 10 to 40 per cent. in this Sale—these outside of our regular large stocks.

America First

America first—A thousand dinner sets were ordered from one American pottery, a larger order than ever before given for American porcelain, we are told. 500 sets are ready now in the China Store at \$8.50 and \$10 a set of 100 pieces, 500 more sets are at the pottery waiting for our telegraph orders. American real china dinner sets of \$35 grade at \$25 for 108 pieces.

European Shipments

A long looked for French shipment arrived a few days ago. French china dinner sets with charming decorations and shapes and coin gold handles, 107 pieces at \$20 set; other very special French china sets, \$32.50, \$47.50 and \$50.

A new importation of English porcelain dinnerware in particularly choice designs, 108 pieces at \$20 and \$22.50 set.

Dinnerware at Half

2,000 odd dinnerware pieces at half usual prices and less—30c for a dozen fruit saucers up to \$5 for a soup tureen.

Open Stock Patterns

From our own open stock patterns of foreign wares we have made up certain sets and offer them at 10 per cent. less than our all-year prices. These sets can be matched at any time.

Other foreign china newly arrived, at \$15, \$17.50, \$25, \$27.50, for 108 pieces.

Pottery at Half and Less

Royal Doulton pottery sample plates, cups, saucers at half usual prices—the plates at \$1 to \$14.

Sample fancy pottery from an importer at half price and less—plates, cups, saucers, salad bowls, candelabra, flower pots, etc., 50c for a plate, to \$10 for a high compotier.

Cut Glass

Cut glass—\$5,000 worth for \$2,000—full lead potash blanks skillfully cut, some of our regular patterns included; 85c for a nappie to \$5 for a tall vase or a complete water set.

The practical side of cut glass is shown in the Cut Glass Salon—the operator is at work with a typical glass cutting machine. This is also by courtesy of one of our regular American makers.

Second Gallery, New Building.

In the New Down-Stairs Store

the September Sale is organized on a scale which offers large variety of wanted articles at prices hitherto unheard of at Wanamaker's. The extraordinary prices are made—

1. To close out lots not to be re-ordered.
2. To make new friends.

American Porcelain Dinner Sets at \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$10

Three hundred of them; 100 pieces in each set, enough for a service of 12 persons; neat spray and border designs with gold treatment. Also 72 sets, 48 pieces (for 6 persons), \$5 set. Also 27 sets, 50 pieces (for 6 persons), \$2.50 set.

And 1/2 sets 44 pieces (for 6 persons), \$2 and \$3 set.

2,000 Pieces Fancy China

2,000 pieces of importer's china at a fraction of the usual price—now 10c to \$1.50 each.

Sauces, plates, cake plates, bonbon dishes, plates, vases, comb and brush trays, chop dishes, etc.

In the sale thousands of inexpensive pieces of china for kitchen and dining room at prices not to be duplicated.

Cut Glass—\$1,200 for \$700

An assortment of vases, pugs, compots, bowls, nappies, celery trays, spoon trays, etc., 30c to \$2.50. (Passageway between New and Old Buildings—Down-Stairs Store.)

First Half-Yearly Sale in the New Helpful Housefurnishing Store

Our regular all-year standard qualities of cooking utensils, cutlery, brooms, brushes, dusters, electric ware, woodenware, clothes wringers, refrigerators, sewing machines, dress forms, bird cages, bathroom fixtures, trunks, etc.—at 10 to 40 per cent. less.

THERE are two sorts of housefurnishings. Wanamaker housefurnishings—and the kind we do not sell. Wanamaker housefurnishings are here not only because of their appearance and present usefulness but because of their lasting wear.

Wanamaker all-year bathroom fixtures are of solid brass nickel-plated so they cannot rust. Wanamaker all-year enamel ware is enameled scientifically on steel and is not apt to chip. Wanamaker all-year wooden ware is selected wood free from knots. Wanamaker all-year aluminum ware is the heavy rolled aluminum that stands long usage. All Wanamaker housefurnishings are chosen specifically for the satisfaction they will give, and then the price is made as low as is possible.

March and September these all-year standard articles can be purchased at lower prices because of the co-operation of our makers.

There is not one cent's worth of difference between the quality of the article you paid full price for in August and of that which you can get in September at 10 to 40 per cent. less—at Wanamaker's.

Especially Suggestive Items

Clothes Wringers

\$4.50 for a standard \$5 Wanamaker Imperial clothes wringer, with hard wood frames, 12 x 1 1/2-inch rubber rolls, to fit round or stationary tubs, guaranteed for three years for family use.

Feather Dusters

60c, were 90c, 14-inch feather dusters, made of selected tail feathers. 50c to \$1, were 70c to \$1.50, feather dusters, with 120 turkey tail feathers. 25c, were 35c, bric-a-brac dusters of turkey wing feathers.

Ostrich Feather Dusters

\$1.35 to \$2.50, were \$1.60 to \$3, 12 to 18-inch ostrich dusters. 90c to \$1.75, were \$1.10 to \$2.15, 9 to 14-inch ostrich picture dusters.

Wall Dusters of Wool

Dusters with 5 1/2 foot handles for cleaning walls and ceilings, the wool is sewed over steel wire frames and is washable. 50c to \$1.50, were 75c to \$2.

Frying Pans

50c for standard \$1 nickel plated 8-inch frying pans.

Waffle Irons

60c for standard \$1 waffle irons of our regular kinds.

Russia Iron Roasting Pans

40c, were 55c, 10 x 12-inch pans. 45c, were 65c, 10 x 15-inch pans. 55c, were 75c, 11 x 17-inch pans.

Stag Handle Carving Sets

\$3.75 for standard \$4.50, sets of knife, fork and steel, 9-inch blades and sterling silver ferrules.

Drop-Leaf Kitchen Tables

\$4.65 to \$6.75, were \$5.50 to \$8. Made of clear poplar lumber, free from knots, the best that can be had. Turned maple legs, 3, 3 1/2 and 4 ft. size.

Trunks Less

Strong trunks covered with vulcanized fibre, bound with fibre. Dress trunks, 32 in., \$9.75; 36 in., \$10.50. Steamer trunks, 32 in., \$8.25; 40 in., \$9.75.

Refrigerators, \$25, were \$34.25

These well known high standard White Mountain Refrigerators with three door side icing style, have four shelves in the provision chamber, which is lined with white enamel. Brass locks and hinges, nickel plated.

Standard Rotary Sewing Machines, \$32.50

Until this month we sold them at \$37.50. Because of additional advances in cost on October 1st the price will be \$40. During this sale the price is \$32.50. These are the well-known sit-down standard rotary sewing machines, with central rotary needle that goes round and round, saving much time and energy. Lock and chain stitch combined. Full set of attachments included. Four useful drawers.

Aluminum Preserving Kettles, 50c to \$1, were 85c to \$1.40

Best quality aluminum ware, strong and dependable. Ball handles. 50c, were 85c, 2 1/2-qt. size. 75c, were \$1.15, 4-qt. size. \$1, were \$1.40, 6-qt. size.

Kreamer's Extra Heavy Pieced Tinware, 25 Per Cent. Less

40c to 55c, were 55c to 75c, round dish pans, 10 to 14 qts. No. 7 wash boilers, \$1.90, were \$2.50; No. 8, \$2.15, were \$2.89; No. 9, \$2.45, were \$3.20. 25c to 38c, were 35c to 50c, saucepans, with copper bottoms. Seventh Gallery, New Building.

Broadway, at Ninth, New York

Business Hours until September 15th:
9 A. M. to 5 P. M. 12 Noon on Saturdays

B. Altman & Co.

The Department for Women's,
Misses' and Girls' Sweaters

has been transferred to a far more commodious location on the Third Floor, where virtually everything that is newest and most chic in sweater fashions may be found, at most attractive prices. The new sweaters for Autumn wear introduce many novel features, which are sure to find instant favor.

A Sale of Toilet Articles

has been arranged for to-morrow (Friday) and until noon on Saturday, offering special price advantages in the items quoted.

Hair Brushes, 65c. Toilet Soap (3 cakes boxed) . . . 18c.
Nail & Tooth Brushes each . . . 15c. Pullman Aprons of cretonne . . . 75c.
Whisk Brooms 15c.

Everything that is needful and desirable in toilet requisites may be obtained in the Toilet Goods Department. New assortments of the wanted Perfumes, Toilet Waters, Complexion Specialties, Soaps and Bath Salts, Sponges, Brushes and Rubber Necessaries are in the regular stock at moderate prices.

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Final Price Reductions in MEN'S LOW SHOES

\$5.00 Oxfords	\$8.00 Oxfords
\$3.75	\$5.50

Tan or Black Leathers; English or broad toes. Best Newark makes; assortment includes all leathers.

Ground Floor

Extraordinary Specials for This Week MEN'S FINE SILK SHIRTS

600 on sale at this low price. \$2.95 One of the best values offered this season.

In a large Assortment of Neat and Novelty Stripes.

Silk Mixture Shirts. \$2.25	Pajamas. \$1.00
Silk mixtures and artificial silks of exceptional wearing quality.	Soft mercerized materials with silk loops.
Madras Shirts. 95c	Bathing Suits. \$2.45
Madras or mercerized; soft with soft French cuffs.	Fine worsteds; guaranteed fast colors.
Pajamas. \$1.35	Half Hose. A pair. 30c
Cotton crepe; plain and striped, with V neck.	Silk or lisle thread half hose. An assortment of fancy colors.

Ground Floor

Clearance 158 MEN'S SUMMER SUITS At \$10.00

Formerly \$18.50 to \$25.00.

Broken lots and sizes representing the balance of our Summer assortments. The majority are in light grey Mixtures, Cheviots and Tweeds. None will be sent C. O. D. or on approval.

Sizes. 34	35	36	37	38	40	42	44
Quantities. 43	19	13	11	3	14	15	11

Also 29 Suits in Stout Sizes, 38, 40 and 42.
A small charge made for alterations

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